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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Bennington Masons can well exclaim, "Great Scott!"

The Quaker spirit of William Penn has fled Philadelphia.

Rutland lacrimates have jumped from the frying-pan into the fire—Jap-ah-ian to wood alcohol.

As an example of one phase of civic responsibility, look at the record of a Marshfield man, William Henry Harrison Mears, who has not missed a single town meeting in 44 years. Few men can say as much.

President Taft's withdrawal of the nominations of the United States customs judges, including that of Orion M. Barber of Vermont, probably does not mean that Vermont and the other states represented will lose the places; but it is rather a scheme of President Taft's to put the salary of the positions back to \$10,000 a year, from the \$7,000 to which Congress acted them.

That "every dog has his day" is true was never more clearly shown than in the prize ring yesterday, when the once renowned pugilist, Battling Nelson, was forced into a second place by a new champion, bearing the name of Wolpelt. The result of the fight raises a query whether the once famous heavyweight pugilist, James J. Jeffries, has not "had his day" and that he will learn it when he meets the negro, Johnes.

Several of the striking stone cutters of Barre, Vt., who have been employed in Concord since the men went out early in the winter, returned to that place to-day to be in readiness to resume work Wednesday morning—Concord, N. H., Monitor.

That's the program at the present time, "Carry in your kit" and head for Barre. They'll be coming in from Texas, Colorado and California by the earliest trains, and more besides, because business is slack elsewhere.

BREATHING FRESH AIR.

The value of fresh air is the subject for a very interesting little communication in a recent Boston newspaper, and the wide-spread value of deep breathing is truly remarkable, as pointed out by the writer, who declares:

"I have found from experience that, as a builder up of exhausted nerve tissue, it has no equal. That it is of inestimable value not only in all functional disturbances, but in auto-intoxication and anaemia. There is no drug in the physician's pharmacopia which will so effectively restore the vitality through its action upon the circulation. It will break up a cold, if taken in its incipient stage, and cure chronic catarrhs; and it is the only sane remedy for persistent headaches, although sharp attacks."

Despite the fact that the quotation reads like a quick medicine advertisement, there is truth in every line of the declaration. Let him, who will, try the test and see for himself. In order to get the benefits of fresh-air breathing, it is best to acquire the habit of deep breathing every time one gets where the conditions are favorable. There would be far less misery from ill health, if the simple rules which any physician would recommend are followed carefully. Get the habit of breathing deeply of fresh air.

A DUTY OF THE UNITED STATES.

The twelve-year-old cry of "Raise the Maine" is even more insistent than it was when the excited American people first clamored to have the wreck of the noble battleship raised from the mud of Havana harbor; and the reasons why the wreck should be cleared seem to be, likewise, more powerful than they were in 1898. But these reasons are turning rather toward the materialistic, from the purely sentimental. Formerly, it was urged strongly that the hulk of the battleship Maine should be brought to the surface, in order that the remains of the 230 victims of the terrible affair might find their fit resting-place in the national cemetery. Again, it was urged that the moral question of blame for the explosion ought to be determined, whether it was a Spanish torpedo from the exterior or whether it was an internal explosion of the ship's own ammunition which caused the destruction of the ship on February 15, 1898. These two reasons have thus far proved futile in influencing Congress to "raise the Maine."

Now, in consequence, a new argument is being added, and it has to do with the safety of the Havana harbor for transportation. Not only are the bulk and upper parts of the Maine proving a real menace to shipping in and out of Havana, but the gradual accumulation of mud and refuse about the wreck is forming a shoal, which will impede commerce very greatly if allowed to continue. Even if the Cuban government should be anxious to take steps to remove the menace to life and to business,

it is probable that the Cuban officials are deterred from action by a feeling that the approval of the United States government is greatly to be desired before such a delicate task is to be undertaken. It seems certain, therefore, that the United States will have to take the initiative in the matter; and the sooner we do it, the better.

Current Comment

Page Surprised 'Em.

Vermont is fortunate in having kept one of her greatest business men in the Senate during the past decade. Her impress has been indelibly printed into many an important act thereby. Vermont is proud of the work of her junior senator, C. S. Page of this county, for the work he did while the present tariff was being enacted. He surprised all the statesmen at Washington by his knowledge of the subject. He is doing the same now while the postal savings bill is being considered. His knowledge of banking, as it affects the common people is a revelation to the Senate. If the postal savings bill becomes a practical, successful law it will be largely due to Senator C. S. Page—Morrisville Messenger.

A NEW STATE HOUSE.

St. Albans Messenger Thinks That One Is Needed.

It is all well enough to spend between thirty and forty thousand dollars in a device for ventilating the state house at Montpelier, but, unless the Messenger utterly misunderstands the situation, it may fairly be regarded as a mere makeshift. The simple fact is that Vermont has outgrown the old capitol and must sooner or later make up her mind to enlarge it. In former days, not so very long ago, either, when the officials of the state government had little to do with the State House except to attend the biennial sessions of the legislature, there was room and to spare for the merely nominal official and departmental use made of the rooms and facilities of the building. But the more recent demand that each of the departments of the state government dealing with the public direct shall maintain permanent headquarters in the capital open every day, and the increase of these departments, besides, has already taxed the accommodations of the State House to the utmost, while the biennial experience of the legislature long ago demonstrated that there is not sufficient room in the building to accommodate the sessions of committees and that the two legislative chambers themselves are not sufficiently roomy to take care of the public that has a right to attend the deliberations of its representatives.

A few years ago what was called an "addition" to the State House was built in the hope of improving conditions somewhat, but the addition is merely a disfigurement in appearance and does not now improve the situation very much.

The Vermont Capitol is architecturally one of the most beautiful buildings of its class in the United States. This is the opinion of competent critics of the country at large, not the voice of mere state pride. The people of the state should prepare themselves to spend a good sum of money on its enlargement before long, and when the work is done, no mistaken economy should prevent its being done well. Plans should be drawn by the best talent available so that the enlargement shall more fully amplify not destroy the beauty of the building as it is to-day, and enough money should be appropriated so that plans can be realized in fact. In the meantime, perhaps the assurance of better air in the capitol may induce the legislature to think clearly about this proposition and vote for it.—St. Albans Messenger.

RIOT AFTER DECISION.

Zybsco Threw Opponent Through Ropes and Won Match.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Zybsco, the Polish champion wrestler, was declared the winner at a fast match with John Lemm of Switzerland at the Broadway Arsenal last night. The referee's decision was not popular with the crowd and for 10 minutes several hundred men surged around the ring yelling "Robber," "Chief," and demanding that the match be declared no contest. The men had wrestled on home and forty-five minutes when Zybsco sent Lemm flying through the ropes. He fell five feet to the floor and apparently was badly injured. He was unable to go on and the referee announced that Zybsco had been awarded the first fall.

After 10 minutes' delay Lemm attempted to resume but he appeared to be suffering and the police stopped the match.

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Jingles and Jest

A Determined Suitor.

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Parent—Well, my boy, hadn't you better see her mother first?
Nervous Suitor—I have, sir, and—er—er—I still wish to marry your daughter.
Parent—Punch!

New Name for Old Deceit.

The literary boarder fastened his eyes upon the hash.
"Kindly pass the Review of Reviews," he said.—Everybody's.

In the Days of Old.

I wonder whilst reading in old romances, Of knights and ladies and lovers true, Of serenades and of stolen glances, If that was all that they had to do; If the knights were never compelled to hustle, To earn the dollars to pay their way, What would they have done if they had to rustle For stuff to eat in the modern way?

The knight seems never to've had to worry About his next day's board and keep, He'd don his metal pants, and surly On his charger's back, with the world asleep, Till he paused 'neath a window where beauty lay, With rose-lips and his hair dreamy eyes, Who'd sleeping, then his restraint untying, He'd tear the air with his doleful cry.

He'd split the air with his endearing cry, Till his lady opened ye window wide, Then pause and list to her soft replying, And gaze up at her all glory-eyed, But never in the tales of my careful thinking, Was the serenader told: "Come upstairs," With the sweet guitar of his midnight strumming, For his metal pants would have marred the chairs.

Nay, he continued his caterwauling, Till her father charged with his lance in rest, To vassal and seneschal loudly calling, And chased the gallant his girl loved best.

With a clatter of clothing across the gloaming, A far from the donjon and castle gray, Like a bunch of ghosts through the darkness roaming— Out over the meadows and far away, Next night the same knight would go tuning.

His soft guitar to the self-same place, And relieve himself of the self-same creaking, And scream for a sight of his lady's face; And that was all that they ever did do In the days of romance so far away, A song and a sigh and her dad-and-shidoo! And so I am glad that I live to-day.

No Doubt About It.

Blowhard had just finished relating a strange occurrence.
"Why do you look so surprised?" he queried of his one man audience.
"Don't you believe it?"
"Yes, that's the trouble," returned the other, "I happen to know that it's true."—Chicago News.

As Expected.

An Irishman after working on the railroad for fifty years is laid off on account of old age. He goes home and breaks the news to his wife, and she says:
"Pat, I knew that would not be a steady job when you took it."—New York World.

MAKES \$20,000 GIFT FOR TEMPLE FUND

Col. Olin Scott Follows Up Donation for Site for New Structure in Bennington. Announcement Made Last Night.

Bennington, Feb. 23.—The announcement was made during the centennial anniversary exercises of the founding of Temple Chapter Royal Arch Masons at Masonic hall last evening of a gift from Col. Olin Scott, proprietor of the Bennington Machine Works, of \$20,000 for the erection of a Masonic temple at Bennington. The gift to the building fund followed the announcement of the gift of a site for the temple by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Norton. The proposed site is located on North Main street in the center of the village. The principal features of the centennial exercises were a history of Temple Chapter by Henry L. Stillson and a Masonic address by Grand Secretary Henry H. Ross of Burlington. Col. Scott, the donor of the building fund, who is a life long resident of Bennington and president of the Bennington Battle Monument association and took active part in the building of that memorial, is a manufacturer of powder machinery, has built powder mills for the Japanese, Russian, Canadian and South American governments. In recent years he has made several donations of a similar character and has under way the erection at Bennington Center, a monument. Col. Seth Warner, the Revolutionary hero.

FOR KILLING VERMONT GIRL.

Charles O'Neil, Formerly of Fort Ethan Allen, to Be Hanged.

Burlington, Feb. 23.—Private Charles O'Neil, a soldier in the 18th cavalry, formerly stationed at Fort Ethan Allen and late of Fort Lawrence, Kan., has been sentenced to death by hanging for the murder of Miss Minnie Sharbone of Essex Junction. The trial was before the United States court and sentence was pronounced by Judge J. C. Pollock. The date of the execution has been set for March 29 and the place as the Leavenworth county jail. Although an effort on the part of Kansas attorneys to get the sentence changed to life imprisonment has been made, it is not thought that it will be successful and the execution will probably take place. The murder took place in Fort Lawrence, Kan., last July shortly after the 18th cavalry had been sent there from here. O'Neil was an enlisted man and Miss Sharbone accompanied one of the officers' families as a maid. The soldier was deeply infatuated with the girl, who did not reciprocate his affections, and her reception of the attentions of others caused him with jealousy. He repeatedly threatened to take her life and at last upon the advice of her employer he asked that the man be taken care of. An officer with a detail of men was accordingly dispatched at once for him and located him near the girl's home. As soon as O'Neil was placed under arrest, he told the officer that he would go without any trouble but catching sight of the girl, he drew a revolver and fired point blank under the officer's arm; the bullet lodging in her breast. She died almost instantly. Her body was sent to Essex Junction for burial, as she was survived by a mother and other relatives who reside there now.

STRUGGLE WITH TURKEY SOON

One Clash Reported, in Which a Number were Killed—\$40,000 Troops.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Feb. 23.—A clash between the Turkish and Bulgarian troops is reported in the Tamarash district, with a number killed on both sides. Rifles and machine guns were used. Bulgaria has 40,000 troops on the frontier and fears are entertained that some overt act may precipitate the struggle with Turkey before she is prepared.

MARSHFIELD.

W. H. H. Mears Has Not Missed a Town Meeting in 44 Years.

We would like to ask any other man in this county, and possibly this state, to give a record matching the following: William Henry Harrison Mears, now 65 years old, has not missed a town meeting since he voted the first time 44 years ago. Once, the weather and traveling was so bad that Mr. Mears walked three miles from his home, the night prior to town-meeting day, to a farmhouse within 35 rods of the voting place, remaining there over night, that he might not miss the meeting. Mr. Mears has been town clerk 27 consecutive years and treasurer seven years. Although "Haze," as he is familiarly called, is in very poor health, if the weather is suitable, he plans to be in his place in the town house next Tuesday.

Mrs. D. K. Lucas is convalescing. Mrs. Minnie Newton, who is working for Budd Bruce, was in Barre Friday and Saturday.

Vilas Smith is managing his farm again. His little son, Karl, is in the care of Mrs. Frank Newton.

A number from this town anticipate attending the musical convention in East Montpelier to-day and Thursday.

Charlie Emery, the little son of Herbert Emery, has been having a touch of blood poison, complicating eczema.

Mrs. Jeremiah Dwinell is slightly improved, although helpless. Her niece, Mrs. Richard, has returned to her home in Northfield.

Mrs. D. R. Tibbets is taking care of her little grandson, Charles, for her daughter, Mrs. Florence Boyce, who is very ill in Montpelier.

Mr. Kimball of Cabot, who recently returned from Brightlook hospital in St. Johnsbury, is at C. H. Northrup's, where he is under the care of Dr. Frank Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sanborn are in Manchester, N. H., Cambridge, Lowell and Boston, Mass., visiting relatives, and Mr. Sanborn is tuning pianos in the meantime.

Mrs. S. H. Unwin was in Barre Tuesday and Mrs. D. R. Tibbets Thursday and Friday. Miss Marion Unwin is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Harry Goodrich, in that city.

Those interested in the coming minstrel show, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Improvement society, are requested to meet at the home of Mrs. C. D. Smith Wednesday evening, February 23.

Three new items appear in the warning for town meeting; first, to see if the town will purchase a poor farm; second, to raise the pay of all town officers to \$2 per day; third, to maintain schools in such districts where are pupils enough.

Mrs. Cora Preston recently returned from Northfield, where she has been stopping with the family of her son, Ellis, for several weeks, visiting friends in Barre on her way home. Ellis Preston has moved his family from Northfield to St. Johnsbury, where he has employment.

The ladies' aid society of the M. E. church realized between \$40 and \$50 from its sale of last Thursday. Although inclement weather hindered many, the attendance was large at both entertainment and fair. The home-made candy booth realized nearly \$7, while the receipts for aprons was over \$11.

O. H. Smith, our veteran horse trainer, has already returned to his owners 12 colts, broken to drive, this winter. He now has a pair of three-year-old chestnut colts, belonging to O. L. Martin of Plainfield, and a three-year-old bay colt of Miss Gertrude Spencer's, all very promising horses, with more to follow. Mr. Smith had a call recently to go to one farm and train 12 horses, but declined, as he already has more than he can attend to in his own town.

HORSE RACING DATES.

Eastern Meetings Divided Up to Satisfaction of All Tracks.

Racing dates for the coming season have been officially announced by the Eastern Jockey club. According to the schedule, the sport will begin at Aqueduct, N. Y., April 15 and continue until Nov. 15, which will give patrons of the game 184 days to watch the thoroughbred race for purses. By the arrangement there will be about forty more days of racing than last season.

The intention to open on April 15, the first legal day to race in New York state, proves that there is no great opposition figured at the Pimlico meeting in Baltimore.

Saratoza, Empire City and Brighton Beach (New York tracks) will not conduct fall meetings. Saratoza has won a victory in that it will have twenty-five days of racing.

JOCKEY CLUB DATES FOR NEW YORK COURSES.

Aqueduct—April 15 to April 23, twelve days.
 Jamaica—April 29 to May 12, twelve days.
 Belmont Park—May 13 to May 30, fifteen days.
 Gravesend—May 31 to June 16, fifteen days.
 Sheepshead Bay—June 17 to July 4, fifteen days.
 Brighton Beach—July 5 to July 20, fourteen days.
 Empire City—July 21 to Aug. 3, twelve days.
 Saratoza—Aug. 4 to Aug. 27, twenty-one days.
 Sheepshead Bay—Aug. 29 to Sept. 10, twelve days.
 Gravesend—Sept. 12 to Sept. 24, twelve days.
 Belmont Park—Sept. 26 to Oct. 8, twelve days.
 Jamaica—Oct. 10 to Oct. 27, sixteen days.
 Aqueduct—Oct. 28 to Nov. 15, sixteen days.

one day instead of eighteen, as originally planned. Empire City would have been better satisfied if they had received eighteen instead of twelve days, but Brighton coming into the arrangements upset the calculations. The season follows its regular course as in former good days. In the aggregate Aqueduct and Jamaica will

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have twenty-eight days; Belmont Park, twenty-seven; Gravesend, twenty-seven; Sheepshead Bay, twenty-seven; Brighton Beach, fourteen; Empire City, twelve; and Saratoza, twenty-one. Pimlico, in Baltimore, opens April 25 and runs to May 7.

Last year Canada imported 1,146,041 dozens of eggs.

Natives of the upper Congo eat certain kinds of caterpillars.

In Sweden everybody pays an income tax whose income is above \$270.

The are 4,000,000 head of cattle in Colombia, half of which are supposed to be in the llanos, or plains.

Tanning skinners for the manufacture of women's belts has become a lucrative industry in Madras.

Brazil's great new port at Rio Grande do Sul was laid out by an engineer from the United States.

British seed crushers have 400,000 tons of last season's crop of soy beans in the far east under contract.

An English automobile enthusiast uses a seismograph to register the jolts imparted to his car by rough roads.

The foreign debt of Chile is \$90,220,000 United States gold, and the internal debt is \$15,787,550, making a total per capita debt of \$35.40.

During the last two years the oil production has doubled in America. The production is \$10,000,000 greater in value than the output of gold in the United States.

The Argentine minister of finance has prohibited the importation of kettles and similar kitchen utensils which may be injurious to health because of the amount of lead used in manufacturing them.

The average for each inhabitant of the public debt of Great Britain is \$90.24, and it would require five years' revenue to equal the debt, which is now \$3,944,000,000, on the basis of the five pound sterling.

In a recent lecture Professor Voigt stated that Norway was only commencing to develop its vast mineral wealth. It has been calculated that the mines of Svalbard alone contain 100,000,000 tons of iron.

The inhabitants of southern Italy and Sicily are alarmed by an invasion of ravens, which are causing serious damage. At the corresponding period of last year, preceding the terrible seismic catastrophe, which destroyed Messina and Reggio, a similar invasion occurred.

Housewives in Australia are wrestling with the servant problem. Their advertisements make interesting reading. One offers "plenty of outings," another throws out the bait of "Sunday free," while a third goes one better with "Saturday afternoons and Sundays off."

On New Gowns. There is a trick this season of trimming charming little frocks for dances and evening wear with a wide band of crushed velvet, which crosses the décolletage and goes well up under the arms. If the velvet against the skin is too harsh the line may be softened with folds of tulle or lace.

Church News in New York. In a prominent New York newspaper it is now possible to read every Monday what wealthy ladies wore the day before at church—the only part of the service which is looked upon as news.—Collier's.

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A Mistress of Detail.

Dr. Robert Wood of Johns Hopkins university was complimented by a young lady at a dinner in Baltimore on the artificial mirrors that he had succeeded in making in his laboratory.

"It is by attention to the least details," said Dr. Wood, with a smile, "that one succeeds in experiments of this kind. One must look after details like—er—like the landlady's wife."

"Tommy," said the landlady's wife to her little boy, who is that sitting on the doorstep to your father?"

"It's a divinity student, Tommy answered, 'who is looking for a furnished room.'"

"Hurry, then," said the mother, and walk up and down the hall whilst I sing hymn."—New York Press.

Statue With Silk Hat.

The warmest admirers of the silk hat will hardly claim that it lends itself to the sculptor's art. Yet the artist responsible for the bronze statue of Krupp on the lawn of the Yacht club has presented the ironmaster with a top hat and a walking stick, carefully creased trousers and a mathematical parting in the center of the head, so that the statue looks more like a tailor's dummy than the representation of a captain of industry.—London Chronicle.